

House File 74 - Introduced

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BY CHAMBERS

A BILL FOR

1 An Act eliminating the healthy kids Act.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 256.7, subsection 29, Code 2011, is
2 amended by striking the subsection.

3 Sec. 2. Section 256.9, subsections 55 and 56, Code 2011, are
4 amended by striking the subsections.

5 Sec. 3. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code
6 2011, is amended to read as follows:

7 a. A pupil is not required to enroll in either physical
8 education or health courses, ~~or meet the requirements of~~
9 ~~paragraph "b" or "c",~~ if the pupil's parent or guardian files a
10 written statement with the school principal that the course ~~or~~
11 ~~activity~~ conflicts with the pupil's religious belief.

12 Sec. 4. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraphs b and c,
13 Code 2011, are amended by striking the paragraphs.

14 Sec. 5. Section 273.2, subsection 7, Code 2011, is amended
15 by striking the subsection.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill eliminates the healthy kids Act. The bill
18 eliminates the directive to the state board of education to
19 adopt rules establishing nutritional content standards for
20 foods and beverages sold or provided on the school grounds
21 of any school district or accredited nonpublic school during
22 the school day with the exceptions of the food provided by any
23 federal school food program or through an agreement with an
24 agency of the federal government, foods sold for fund-raising
25 purposes, and foods and beverages sold at concession stands.
26 The bill also eliminates the directive to the director of
27 the department of education to convene a nutrition advisory
28 panel to review research in pediatric nutrition and submit
29 findings and recommendations to be considered when establishing
30 or amending the nutritional content standards for foods and
31 beverages sold or provided in the schools. The bill eliminates
32 the directive to the director of the department of education to
33 monitor school districts and accredited nonpublic schools for
34 compliance with the nutritional content standards; eliminates
35 the provisions requiring minimum specified physical activity

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1 for students and requiring completion of a certification course
2 for cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and eliminates the provision
3 directing boards of area education agencies to contract with
4 licensed dieticians for the support of nutritional provisions
5 in individual education plans and to provide information to
6 support school nutrition coordinators.